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**Subject:** Re: [Non-DoD Source] Building 360 Revised VMS Design Plan and Responses to Comments

Mr. Kemp,

The Navy, Air Force or Department of Defense should be requesting directly to EPA any actions for EPA to consider as an "excepted" activity pursuant to the shutdown. We have to follow all shutdown protocols. I look forward to receiving that direct request to me that I can forward to the appropriate individuals in headquarters for consideration.

Best regards,  
Michael Stoker  
EPA Regional Administrator-Region 9  
Cell (213) 215-3104

On Jan 22, 2019, at 6:51 PM, Chris C. Kemp <[chris@astraspace.com](mailto:chris@astraspace.com)> wrote:

All,

Per the below correspondence, The United States Air Force has requested the EPA and Navy's assistance. We cannot wait indefinitely for the EPA to re-open and still make our mission critical launch window for the Air Force.

We (the Air Force and Astra) have reached out to Enrique Manzanilla and Michael Stoker to see if Xuan-Mai Tran, who has been diligently providing feedback on our documentation until she was furloughed, can be placed on an exception list so that she can provide necessary feedback to allow us to begin construction of the VMS.

On behalf of our 125 employees and their families, and the DoD program we are supporting, I sincerely appreciate anything each and every one of you can do to help us make whatever changes are necessary to our VMS plan to at least begin the construction of our VMS, even if we must do this temporarily without additional feedback from the EPA, and even if it means that such additional feedback will require additional costs to be incurred by our company in the future.

I sincerely appreciate your help.

Best,  
Chris C. Kemp

-----Original Appointment-----

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**Sent:** Tuesday, January 22, 2019 5:11 PM

**To:** Bryson Gentile; Chris C. Kemp

**Cc:** Steve Butow; YEILDING, RICHARD P Capt USAF AFSPC SMC/ADSS

**Subject:** Tentative: [Non-DoD Source] Building 360 Revised VMS Design Plan and Responses to Comments

**When:** Wednesday, January 23, 2019 10:30 AM-12:00 PM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada).

**Where:** Online Meeting

Bryson, Chris,

I provided justification inputs why construction should proceed to both the Navy BRAC and the EPA contacts as part of the request for assistance to help your cause. Also, I have a meeting conflict during part of the appointment and I am not sure what value I can add to the discussion.

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